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1. the following independent orders for tank and gun parts were filled in 1953: 25X1

1)	Caterpillar treads and links	6,000 tons
2)	Bolts for tread links	500 units
3)	Tank turret housings	2,500 "
4)	Tank turrets	2,500 "
5)	Tank sprocket wheels	2,500 "
6)	Tank armor plate	7,000 "
7)	Tank engines	2,200 "
8)	Gun carriages	500 "
9)	Artillery breech mechanisms	900 "
10)	Gun barrels	700 "
11)	Unfinished grenades and grenade jackets	28,000 "

2. Following are the firms that produced and delivered the parts listed above:

Stahlwerk Rassberg b. Zeitz	Caterpillar tread links, treads, armor plate and bogie wheels
Stahlwerk Silbitz[1]	Cat. tread links, unfinished grenades and grenade jackets
Eisengiesserei Leipzig[2]	Cat. tread links
Dampfhammerwerk Grodenhain	" " "
B.F.G. Lauchhammer	Caterpillar treads
Stahlguss Ueckermuende	" "
Masch. Fabrik und E-Giesserei Niederwuerschnitz/Sachsen	" "
Schwermaschinenbau Ernst Thaelmann Magdeburg	" "
Werkzeugfabrik Schmalkalden	Armor plate
Stahlgiesserei Frankleben	" "
Schwermaschinenbau Ernst Thaelmann Magdeburg	

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Stahl-u. Walzwerk Riesa	Armor plate
Giesserei Torgelow	Tank bogie wheels, turret housings
Peniger Maschinenfabrik	Bogie wheels, tank sprocket wheels
Stahlwerk Borsdorf b. Leipzig	Tank bogie wheels
Maschinenbau und Eisengiesserei Goerlitz	Tank bogie wheels and bolts
Schwermaschinenbau Ernst Thaelmann Magdeburg	Tank bogie wheels, turrets and gun barrels
IFA-Werke Schoenebeck u. Audi-Horch	Tank engines
Zwickau	" "
Panzerwerk Kirchmoeser	Tank turrets and turret housings
Waggonbau Goerlitz	Tank turrets
Stahlwerk Wetterzeube	" "
Stahlgiesserei Frankleben	Tank sprocket wheels
Getriebebau Leipzig u.	" " "
Kirchschau b. Bautzen	" " "
Maschinen u. Zahnraederfabrik Gotha	
Schwermaschinenbau Georgij Dimitroff	" " "
(Otto Gruson) Magdeburg	" " "
Maschinenfabrik u. Eisengiesserei Dessau	
Maschinenfabrik u. Eisengiesserei Pulsnitz	(Tank parts, oil pressure brakes, oil
Messegeraetewerk Quedlinburg	(filters, starters, meters, steel seats,
Sachsenwerk Niedersedlitz	(drive shafts, safety glass, connecting
Feinmesszeugfabrik Keilpart/Th.	(rods, bushings, armatures, etc.
Spiralfederfabrik Muehlhausen	(
IFA-Gelenkwellenwerk Stadtilm	(
Verbundsglas Babelsberg	(
Geraetewerk Karl Marx, Magdeburg	(
Maschinenfabrik Halle	Gun carriages and breech mechanisms
Maschinenfabrik Nordhausen	" " " " "
Schwermaschinenbau Georgij Dimitroff	" " ----------
Schwermaschinenbau Karl Liebknecht	" "
Schwermaschinenbau Ernst Thaelmann,	Cannon barrels
Schwermaschinenbau Karl Liebknecht	" "
Schwermaschinenbau Georgij Dimitroff	" "
Eisengiesserei Weissenfels	Unfinished grenades and grenade jackets
Mech. Werkstaetten Guestrow/Meckl.	" " " " "
Maxhuette Unterwellenborn	" " " " "

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1. Probably identical with the enterprise listed in the directory to the 1954 Fall Leipzig Fair as VEB Stahlwerke Silbitz-Rasberg.

2. Possibly identical with Eisengiesserei Walter Klug, Taucha, Bezirk Leipzig, Gerichtsweg 9 c/d.

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